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	Filing Date	December 5, 2003
	First Named Inventor	Aloys Wobben
	Art Unit	3745
	Examiner Name	Christopher M. Verdier
	Attorney Docket No.	970054.450C1

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# **FEE TRANSMITTAL** **for FY 2005**

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## **Complete if Known**

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☒ Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27

**TOTAL AMOUNT OF PAYMENT (\$)** **180.00**

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#### **1. BASIC FILING, SEARCH, AND EXAMINATION FEES**

Application Type	FILING FEES			SEARCH FEES		EXAMINATION FEES	
	Fee (\$)	Small Entity Fee (\$)	Fee (\$)	Small Entity Fee (\$)	Fee (\$)	Small Entity Fee (\$)	Fees Paid (\$)
Utility	300	150	500	250	200	100	_____
Design	200	100	100	50	130	65	_____
Provisional	200	100	0	0	0	0	_____

#### **2. EXCESS CLAIM FEES**

Fee Description	Fee (\$)	Small Entity Fee (\$)
Each claim over 20 (including Reissues)	50	25
Each independent claim over 3 (including Reissues)	200	100
Multiple dependent claims	360	180

Total Claims	Extra Claims	Fee (\$)	Fee Paid (\$)	Multiple Dependent Claims
_____ -20 or HP = _____	X	_____	= _____	Fee (\$)
				Fee Paid (\$)

HP = highest number of total claims paid for, if greater than 20

Indep. Claims	Extra Claims	Fee (\$)	Fee Paid (\$)
_____ -3 or HP = _____	X	_____	= _____

HP = highest number of independent claims paid for, if greater than 3

#### **3. APPLICATION SIZE FEE**

If the specification and drawings exceed 100 sheets of paper (excluding electronically filed sequence or computer listings under 37 CFR 1.52(e)) the application size fee due is \$250 (\$125 for small entity) for each additional 50 sheets or fraction thereof. See 35 U.S.C. 41(a)(1)(G) and 37 CFR 1.16(s).

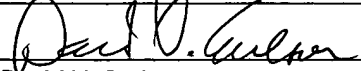
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Other (e.g., late filing surcharge): Submission of Information Disclosure Statement **180.00**

### **SUBMITTED BY**

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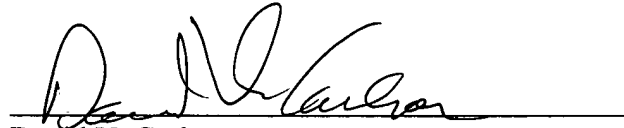
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Respectfully submitted,

Seed Intellectual Property Law Group PLLC

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## U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS

*EXAMINER INITIAL		DOCUMENT NUMBER	DATE	NAME	CLASS	SUBCLASS	FILING DATE IF APPROPRIATE
	AA	4,490,093	12/25/84	Chertok et al.	416	26	
	AB						
	AC						
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## FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS

		DOCUMENT NUMBER	DATE	COUNTRY	TRANSLATION	
					YES	NO
	AK	555,439	08/23/43	GB		
	AL	90 13 386 U	11/22/90	DE		
	AM	39 30 821 A1	03/28/91	DE (+ Abstract in English)		
	AN	295 20 792 U1	03/14/96	DE		
	AO	0 942 168 A2	09/15/99	EP (+ Abstract in English)		

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